GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
CHEMICALS AND FERTILIZERS
LOK SABHA

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RESIDUAL WASTES OF UNION CARBIDE BHOPAL
KANTILAL BHURIA

Will the Minister of CHEMICALS AND FERTILIZERS be pleased to state:

(a) whether a proposal from Madhya Pradesh Government of Rupees50 crores has been received to destroy residual wastes kept in the compound of Union Carbide in Bhopal; and

(b) if so, the time by which the aforesaid amount is likely to be provided?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF CHEMICALS & FERTILIZERS (SHRI TAPAN SIKDAR)

(a) & (b): The proposal has been received with the request that it could be funded from the unspent money lying with Reserve Bank of India out of the compensation money given by the Union Carbide Company. According to Supreme Court directions, the money received from the Union Carbide is earmarked for paying compensation to the Bhopal Gas victims. All the compensation claims have not yet been decided. xxxx